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Re: Application No.: 09/993,362
Inventors: Nils O. Olsson, et al.
Filed: November 16, 2001
For: ZERO LOOSENESS FASTENER FOR LINKAGE ASSEMBLY
Attorney Docket No.: 3993968-126973

Dear Sir:

We have enclosed an Amendment D which is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2003, Authorization to Charge Deposit Account (in duplicate) and Certificate of Filing by Mail. We also have enclosed our postcard receipt, which we ask that you acknowledge and return to us.

Very truly yours,

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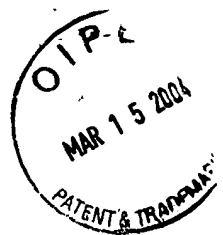


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Sir:

Please charge any deficiency in the fees for the above-referenced application to our Deposit Account No. 16-2326.

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